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PORTION OF YOUR SEATTLE SPEECH

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EA - ARTHUR W. HUMMEL, JR.

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, I CALLED IN HAN HSU JULY 21 TO BRIEF HIM ON WHAT YOU WILL BE SAYING ABOUT KOREA IN YOUR SEATTLE SPEECH, STATING THAT YOU HAD REQUESTED ME TO DO SO. AFTER NOTING THAT THE SPEECH WOULD INCLUDE A VERY POSITIVE REAFFIRMATION OF OUR POLICY TOWARDS THE PRC AND A DISCUSSION OF OUR POLICIES TOWARDS EAST ASIA GENERALLY, INCLUDING JAPAN, I EXPLAINED IN DETAIL THE SECTION ON KOREA. IN CONCLUSION, I ASKED THAT HAN HSU INFORM HIS GOVERNMENT THAT OUR PROPOSAL ABOUT A CONFERENCE IS A SERIOUS ONE AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE PRC WOULD GIVE IT CAREFUL CONSIDERATION. I ALSO SAID THAT THE PRC MAY INFORM NORTH KOREA IF IT WISHES. FINALLY, I SAID THAT WHILE THERE ARE DIFFERENCES IN THE VIEW OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES REGARDING KOREA, WE BELIEVE THAT THE PRC SHARES

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OUR DESIRE THAT A WAY BE FOUND TO PROMOTE STABILITY AND

PEACE IN KOREA.

2. TO ENSURE THAT SHEN JO-YUN, THE NOTETAKER, HAD AN ACCURATE RECORD OF WHAT I HAD SAID, HAN HSU ASKED THAT I REPEAT THE ENTIRE PRESENTATION

3. HAN HSU RESPONDED VERY BRIEFLY. HE SAID THAT THE US SIDE UNDOUBTEDLY KNOWS THE PRC'S CONSISTENT POSITION ON KOREA: THE PRC SUPPORTS THE INDEPENDENT AND PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF KOREA, THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS, AND THE SETTLEMENT OF THE KOREA PROBLEM BY THE KOREANS THEMSELVES. HE SAID HE WOULD REPORT WHAT I HAD TOLD HIM TO HIS GOVERNMENT.

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